

What is claimed is:

1. An electronic purchase system for providing a
5 place where a seller and a plurality of purchasers
participate, comprising:
a storage unit storing sales-related information
about a commodity that the seller offers;
a purchaser registration unit registering one
10 or more purchasers of the plurality of purchasers; and
a publication unit making public the
sales-related information public to purchasers
registered by said purchaser registration unit.
- 15 2. The electronic purchase system according to
claim 1, wherein
the sales-related information is set for each
purchaser company by the seller.
- 20 3. The electronic purchase system according to
claim 1, wherein
information registered in said purchaser
registration unit is updated based on a trade between
the seller and each purchaser.

4. An electronic purchase system for providing a place where a purchaser and a plurality of sellers participate, comprising:

a seller registration unit registering one or
5 more sellers of the plurality of sellers;

a reception unit receiving a request related to a trade of a commodity from the purchaser; and

a publication unit making public the request only to sellers registered by said seller registration unit.
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5. The electronic purchase system according to claim 4, wherein

information registered in said seller registration unit is updated based on a trade between
15 the purchaser and each seller.

6. An electronic purchase system for providing a place where a seller and a plurality of purchasers participate, comprising:

a storage unit storing sales-related information about a commodity that the seller offers and is individually set for one or more purchasers of the plurality of purchasers; and
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a publication unit making public the sales-related information to the plurality of
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7. The electronic purchase system according to claim 6, wherein

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inputting sales-related information about a commodity that the seller offers;

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9. An electronic purchase method for providing a place where a purchaser and a plurality of sellers participate, comprising:

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commodity from the purchaser; and

making public the request to the registered sellers.

- 5 10. An electronic purchase method for providing a place where a seller and a plurality of purchasers participate, comprising:

inputting sales-related information about a commodity that the seller offers and is individually
10 set for one or more purchasers of the plurality of purchasers; and

making public the sales-related information to the plurality of purchasers.

- 15 11. A storage medium storing a program executed by a computer, the program comprising:

a code for providing a place where a seller and a plurality of purchasers participate;

a code for receiving sales-related information
20 about a commodity that the seller offers;

a code for registering one or more purchasers of the plurality of purchasers according to an instruction from the seller; and

a code for making public the sales-related
25 information to the registered purchasers.

12. A storage medium storing a program executed by a computer, the program comprising:

a code for providing a place where a purchaser
5 and a plurality of sellers participate;

a code for registering one or more sellers of the plurality of sellers according to an instruction from the purchaser;

a code receiving a request related to a trade
10 of a commodity from the purchaser; and

a code for making public the request to the registered sellers.

13. A storage medium storing a program executed by
15 a computer, the program comprising:

a code for providing a place where a seller and a plurality of purchasers participate;

a code for receiving sales-related information about a commodity that the seller offers and is
20 individually set for one or more purchasers of the plurality of purchasers from the purchaser; and

making public the sales-related information to the plurality of purchasers.

25 14. A trade support system for supporting a commodity

a management unit managing a past trade amount of each purchaser; and

10 15. The trade support system according to claim 14,
wherein

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the total or average trade amount is a total or average trade amount between a seller and a purchaser in the current trade for a past specific period.